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National Intelligence Officer for China
Central Intelligence Agency

SUBJECT: Briefing Materials on the PRC for President Ford

The President will be visiting the People's Republic of China for three days of talks with senior Chinese leaders during the first week of December. We would appreciate the Agency providing analytic studies on various dimensions of the Chinese scene for the President's briefing materials.

The following topics should be covered in a descriptive and concise, yet comprehensive manner (5 to 10 pages each):

- The PRC's Domestic Political Situation 061
- The Chinese Economy and Policies for Economic Development 06R
- The PRC's Foreign Policy Orientation, including their approach to dealing with the Taiwan issue. 061
- The PRC's views of Relations with the United States, including strategic issues, bilateral relations, and the Taiwan question. (coordinated with OPR) 06E/OPR
- China's National Defense Posture 06R
- The PRC's Strategic Weapons Program 06R
- The Status and Prospects for Sino-Soviet Relations (coordinated with OPR) 06L/OPR
- The PRC's Leadership Situation, including the issue of succession. 06R

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Please forward this material to my office for transmittal to the President by no later than Friday, November 21.

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2	Lopham - FYI		
3	This refers to [redacted]	[redacted] OCI idea of [redacted]	
4	July pub notes = aspects of [redacted]	[redacted] [redacted] Agency [redacted]	
5	Sino-Sov relations. Best [redacted]	[redacted] [redacted] [redacted]	
6	of Gary's note transmitted to [redacted] to [redacted] [redacted]	[redacted] [redacted] [redacted]	
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and I agree that this is a good idea, but well beyond OPK's capability to manage. It would tie up a chairman nearly fulltime, and probably a methodologist. Printing board and editing would be a royal pain. More logical for DCI to manage, flagging and coordinating other agencies through the NIB process. OPK can and should help a lot.

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might be the vehicle. Frankly, I
think that one pilot ~~agent~~^{agent} will
demonstrate that [redacted] idea is
too cumbersome to work.

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